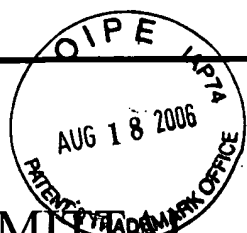


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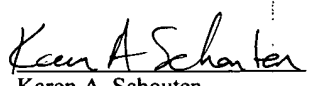


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1. Transmittal Form (1 pg.);
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby makes of record the patents and publications listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the non-U.S. patent documents and non-patent publications are enclosed.

REMARKS

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97, this statement is being filed (CHECK ONE):

- ☒ (1) within three (3) months of the **filing date** of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d), or within three (3) months of the **date of entry of the national stage** as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.491 in an international application, or before the mailing of the **first Office action** on the merits, or before the mailing of a **first Office action** after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114; or
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- ☐ the requisite Statement is below, **OR**
- ☐ the requisite fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p), namely **\$180.00**, is included herein; or

- ☐ (3) after the period defined in (2) above but before the payment of the issue fee, **AND**
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It is respectfully requested that each of the patents and publications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, be made of record in this application.

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As required under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e), Applicant, through the undersigned, hereby states either that [check the appropriate space only if either (2) or (3) is checked on the previous page and the Statement is required]:

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